## ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## DISTRICT 11 AND 15 DRIFT GILLNET FISHERY EXTENSION

Juneau. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the drift gillnet fishery in Sections 11-B, 11-C, 15-A, and 15-C will be extended for an additional **24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon on Thursday, August 1**.

Section 11-B: will be **extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1**, with the following restrictions:

<u>Port Snettisham</u>: waters of Port Snettisham will be closed east of a line from Point Styleman to Point Anmer;

<u>Limestone Inlet</u>: will be closed east of a line from a point on the north shore at 58°02.09′ N. latitude, 133°58.87′ W. longitude, to a point on the south shore at 58°01.92′ N. latitude, 133°58.87′ W. longitude (inside markers);

Gillnet Mesh Size Restriction: from 12:01 p.m., Sunday, July 28, through 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1, south of the latitude of Circle Point (from the marker at approximately 58°07.76′ N. latitude), gillnets must have a minimum mesh size of six inches.

Section 11-C: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1.

Section 15-A: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1, with the following restrictions:

<u>Chilkat Inlet</u>: will be closed north of the latitude from the northernmost tip of Kochu Island at 59°09.04′ N. latitude;

Chilkoot Inlet: will be closed north of the latitude of Mud Bay Point at 59°09.05′ N. latitude.

Section 15-C: will be extended for 24 hours and will close at 12:00 noon, Thursday, August 1, with the following restriction:

<u>Endicott River</u>: Section 15-C will be closed within two nautical miles of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal from the latitude of Danger Point at 58°41.73' N. latitude north to a point within two nautical miles of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal at the latitude of Point Sherman.

Section 15-C: The Boat Harbor THA will be open until further notice in those waters within two nautical miles of the western shoreline of Lynn Canal from the latitude of Danger Point at 58°41.73′ N. latitude and south to a point 2.4 miles north of Point Whidbey at 58°36.96′ N. latitude.

This announcement was made on the fishing grounds via VHF radio at approximately 12:00 noon, Tuesday, July 30.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S3713.

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